

Proposal to Voters - November 2018

**Bothell Public Safety
Propositions 1 & 2**

Serving our Community

162 dedicated public safety professionals

- Police
- Fire and Emergency Medical
- Municipal Court

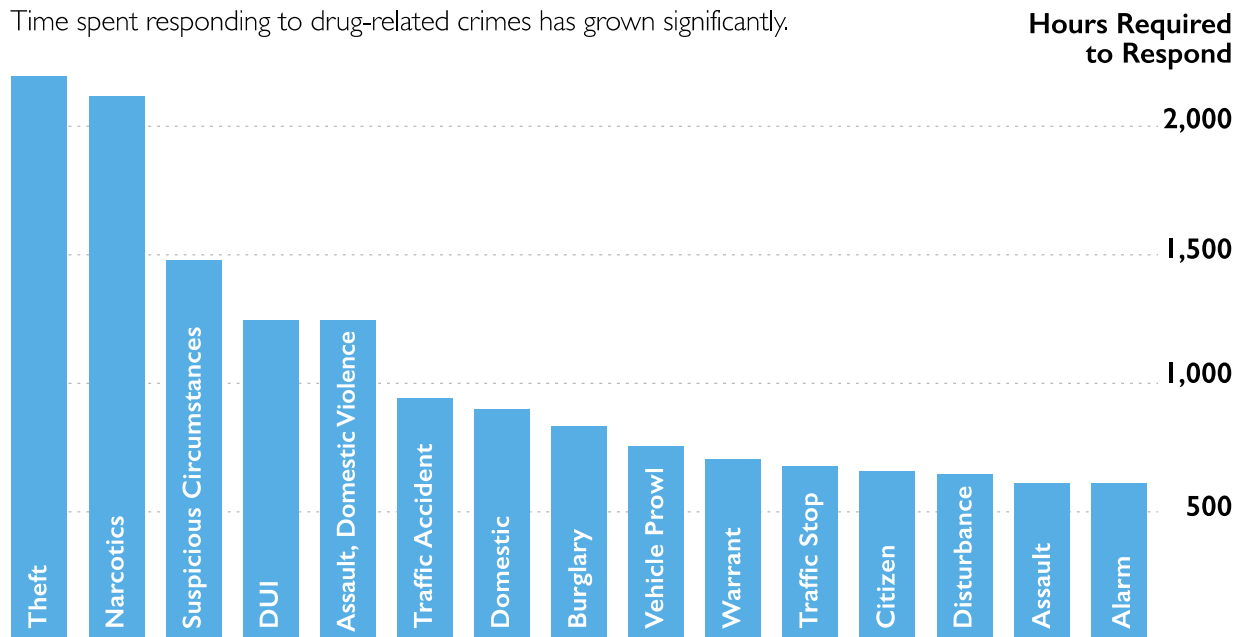


Changing Nature of Public Safety

Police Calls By Type • Drug Crimes Top List

First quarter 2017–First quarter 2018

Time spent responding to drug-related crimes has grown significantly.

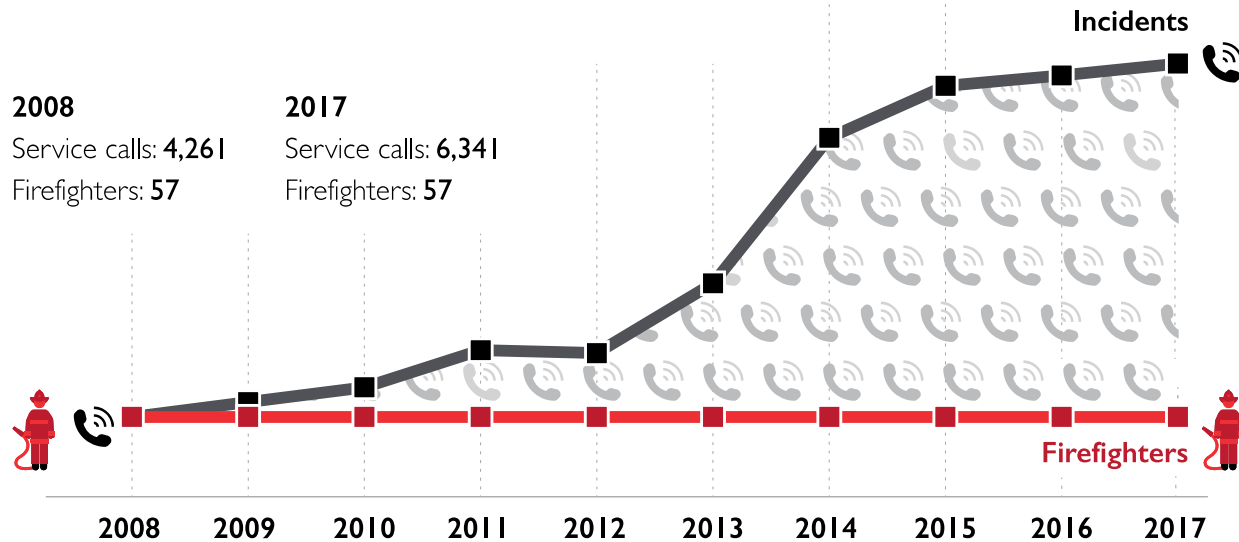


Source: Comprehensive Annual Financial Report

Growing Demand, Level Staffing

Firefighters compared to Fire Incidents

Fire and medical-related calls for service have increased nearly 50% over the decade while firefighter staffing has remained the same.



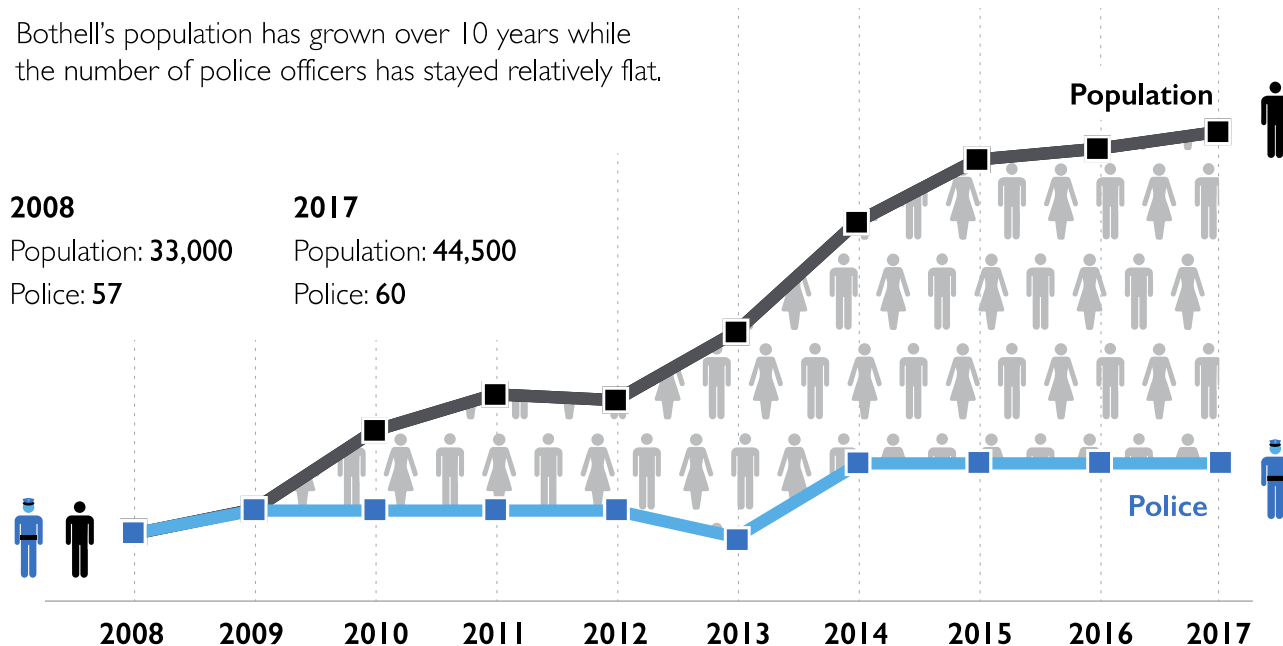
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Growing Population, Level Staffing

Police compared to Population

Bothell's population has grown over 10 years while the number of police officers has stayed relatively flat.



Source: City of Bothell Budget and Personnel Records



Outdated Facilities



Station 42 (Downtown)

Built in 1980

38 years old

Station 45 (Canyon Park)

Built in 1985

33 years old



Funding Challenges



- Funding isn't keeping pace with growing community needs
- Property taxes limited to 1% growth per year + new construction
- To ease burden on residents, City didn't take allowed 1% property tax increase 2007-2012



Developing the Ballot Measures



Detailed review & assessment of resources and needs

Robust public input (interviews, online, events, materials)



Public Safety Measures



Proposition 1: Public Safety Levy Lid Lift
Adds police officers, firefighters and services

Proposition 2: Public Safety Capital Bond
Rebuilds 2 fire stations (Downtown & Canyon Park)



Prop 1: Levy Lid Lift



New Police Officers, Firefighters & Professional Staff to add services:

- Neighborhood Patrol (Swing Shift)
- Community Crime Reduction Team
- Mental Health Professional (Navigator)
- School Outreach & Security Officer
- Additional Staff for Traffic Enforcement, Felony Crime Investigation, Community Engagement
- Firefighters to staff full-time Aid Car at Canyon Park station
- Probation Officer

Investment: \$220 per year on a \$500,000 home

Prop 1: Levy Lid Lift

More police and fire personnel allows for:

- **Neighborhood Patrol:** Maximizes police visibility and deters and addresses criminal activity
- **Crime Reduction Team:** Implements early investigation and coordinated response to problematic and recurring trends i.e. drug use/house, property crimes, traffic incidents
- **Navigator:** Intervenes and connects individuals impacted by mental health, homelessness and/or addiction with resources
- **Firefighters:** Staffs full-time aid car at Canyon Park
- **Probation Officer:** Manages growing caseloads (best practices recommend 80-120 per officer; current officer monitors 245 cases)



Prop 2: Capital Bond

2 New Fire Stations (Downtown & Canyon Park)

- Increased space to accommodate more firefighters
- Enhanced safety features to meet current requirements
- Improved decontamination area for firefighter safety
- Industry-standard separate sleeping quarters
- Modern technology and connectivity
- New satellite police office



Investment: \$130 per
year on a \$500,000
home



Prop 2: Capital Bond



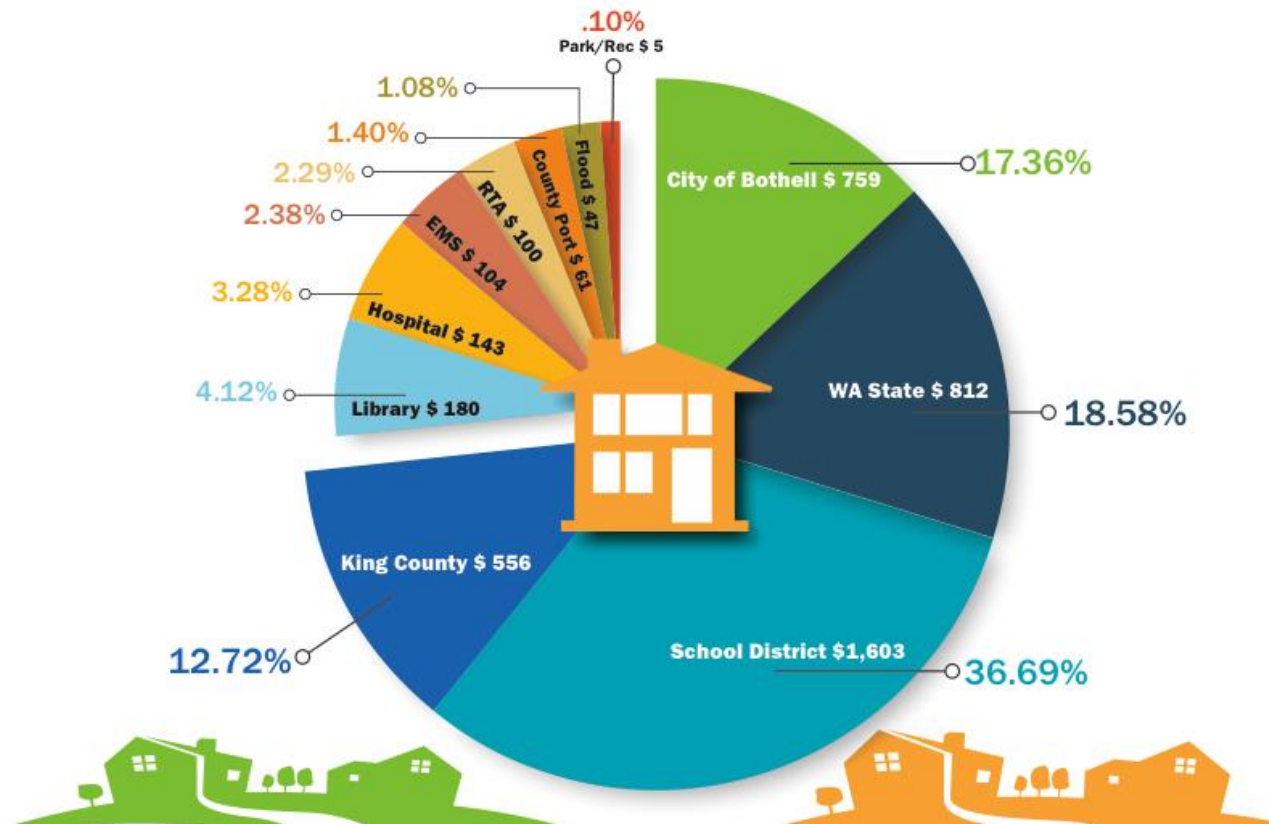
Existing Fire Stations

- Outdated facilities
- Outmoded systems
- Inadequate sleeping quarters
- Cramped spaces



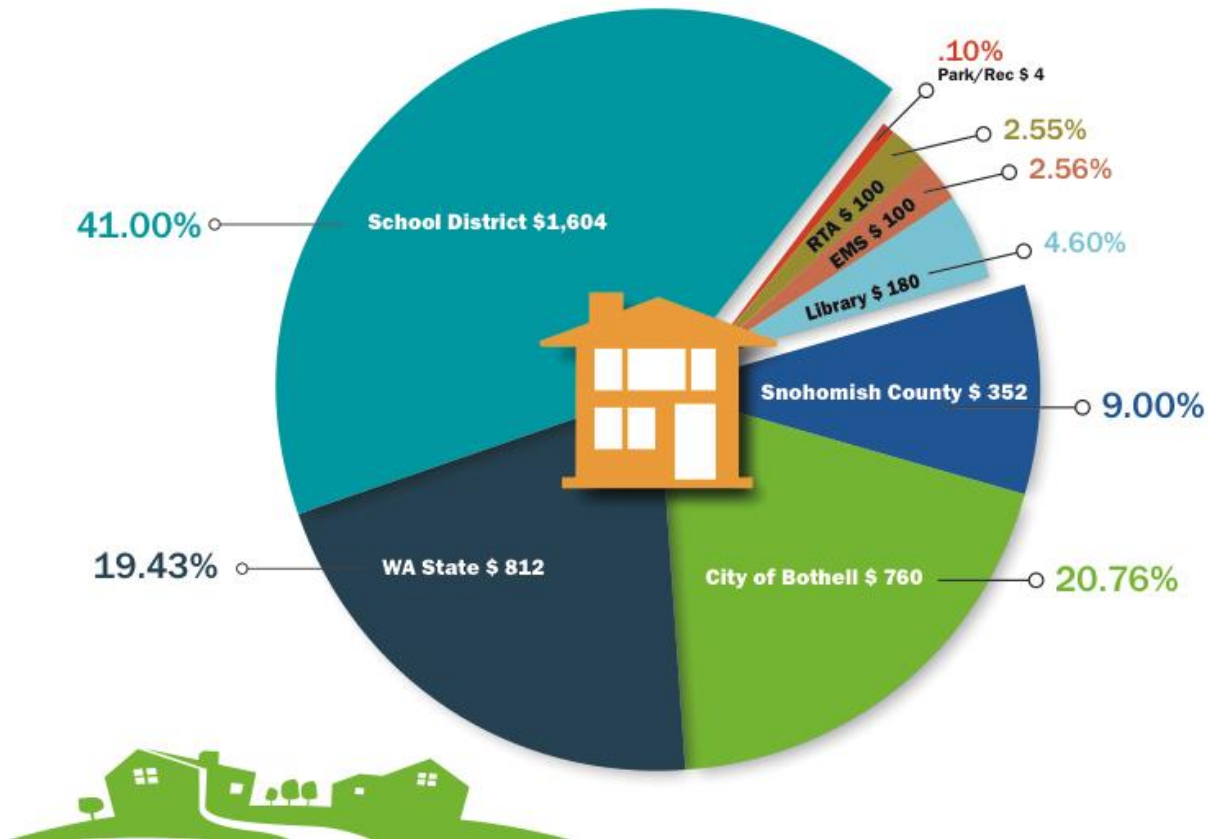
Levy/Bond Revenues Stay Local

In 2017, a home in King County with an assessed value of \$400,000 paid \$4,370 in property tax.



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In 2017, a home in Snohomish County with an assessed value of \$400,000 paid \$3,912 in property tax.



Public Safety Measures

Voters will decide – return ballots by November 6

Prop 1: Levy

- 12 year proposal
- 50% voter approval required

Prop 2: Bond

- 20 year bond
- 60% voter approval required



More information



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Questions?

